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Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
2. Form PTO-1449 (1 page) listing twelve (12) references, which are enclosed;
3. Copy of International Search Report (10 pages); and,
4. Return prepaid postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501423. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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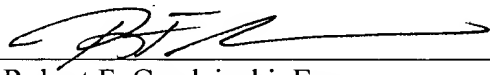
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